

Homecoming
Game
Tonight

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'Gridiron
Glide'
Tomorrow

Cheer Game Tonight, 'Glide' Tomorrow

Rally, Bonfire, Snake Dance Begin Homecoming Weekend

"V-V victory. . . Var-Var varsity. . . Go, team, go." After the rousing pep-rally last night the team should have a good chance of repeating the Morgan Park score against the Leyden Eagles tonight.

The bonfire and traditional snake dance through Skokie was tiring but peppy, according to the students. Seniors in charge of the rally were Bob Tait, program chairman, John Boznos, in charge of snake dance and Jim Brophy, in charge of the bonfire.

The cheerleaders, under Captain Marilyn Reiland, were all literally worn out after leading cheers and running the lead in the snake dance, says Marilyn.

Everyone says, "I'll see you at the game tonight and remember--BEAT LEYDEN!"

Dewillo Concert Duo to Play For All-School Assembly

There'll be "music in the air" in a different fashion on Monday, October 31, at 9:41 in the gymnasium.

At an all-school assembly, Nilehi will be entertained by the De Willo Concert Duo.

De Willo is one of the world's recognized masters on the concertina grande, an instrument which he designed and built himself. The tone of this instrument approaches the pipe organ and it is the only instrument of its kind in the world.

Lanaome Coffin, the violinist, has won wide recognition as an artist on the concert platform. She is a graduate of the Cincinnati Conservatory of music and has appeared throughout the United States and Canada.

The Crystal Ball

OCTOBER

- Thu. 27 Homecoming Rally
- Fri. 28 Football—Varsity vs. Leyden (here)
- Football—Frosh-Soph vs. Leyden (here)
- Football—Frosh vs. Evanston (here)
- Sat. 29 Homecoming Dance
- Cross Country—District Meet
- NOVEMBER
- Tue. 1 Cross Country—Niles vs. Leyden (there)
- Fri. 4 Football—Varsity vs. Woodstock (there)
- Football—Frosh vs. Woodstock (there)
- Sat. 5 Cross Country—State Meet
- G.A.A. "Jean Jump"
- Tue. 8 Parents' Night
- Fri. 11 Armistice Day (no school)
- Mon. 14 See Chicago Club—Tribune Building
- Tue. 15 See Chicago Club—Tribune Building
- Swimming—Niles vs. Waukegan (there)
- Thu. 17 Two-Act Play "Dear Ruth"
- Fri. 18 Swimming—Var., Soph vs. Maine (there)
- Swimming—Frosh vs. Evanston (there)
- Basketball—Niles vs. La Grange (here)
- Sat. 19 Two-Act Play "Dear Ruth"

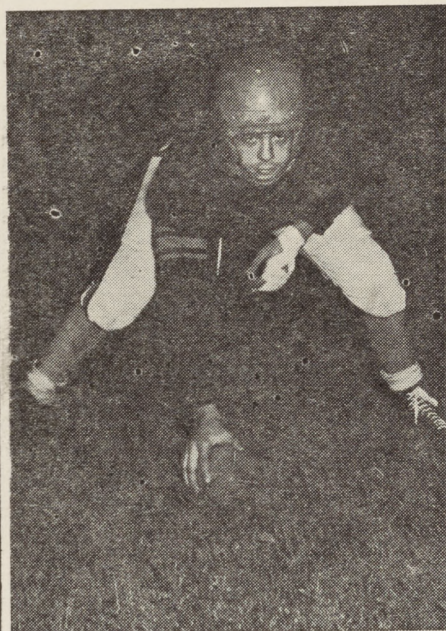


PHOTO BY CHUCK SERUM
Jim Kennedy, above, has been elected captain of the Varsity football squad for the rest of the 1949 season. He will lead the team tonight in what they hope to be a Homecoming victory over Leyden.

Magazine Drive Ends; Receipts Reach \$9,400

Thursday, October 20, marked the end of the magazine drive after it had been extended one day. According to Mr. Ronald Van Arsdale, faculty sponsor, the grand total was \$9,400.05.

The high salesmen of each class were Nancy Lane, 211, senior; Junarden Williams, 108, junior; Jerry Betts, 216, sophomore; and Ralph Fjellman, 107, freshman.

The high class was the juniors who had \$3,106.50. Homeroom 206 which had \$721.80 was the high homeroom, while 108 followed close behind with \$697.30. There were five other homerooms which went over the \$400 quota.

At this writing, awards had not yet been made.

Promenade All at Jean Jump

All eight balance! All eight swing! Swing boys, swing! Hey, all you Nilehians! Dust off your jeans and come stagger to the Jean Jump square dance on Saturday, November 5 in the boys' gym from 8:30 to midnight.

You are assured of lots of fun, according to the G.A.A. Board. Be sure to bring plenty of extra breath along with you!

Buddy Mars Will Play For 'Gridiron Glide'

"Say, what is all this fuss about? Everybody seems so busy and all the kids are buzzing about something called Gridiron Glide. What is that, a new shaving cream for football players?"

No, my dear students, the Gridiron Glide is the name of the terrific Homecoming Dance of 1949. You mean you haven't heard about it? Take the cotton out of your ears and listen!

Tomorrow night, October 29, the first dance of the year will top off this sizzling Homecoming Weekend. Come and glide to the strains of Buddy Mars' "99% Pure Dance Music" from 8:30 to midnight.

As this goes to press the decorations and bids are still a big secret. Tickets have been sold all week and are still selling. An informative skit has been given in each homeroom by members of the publicity committee.

The other committees have been working steadily together to make this Homecoming Dance the best Nilehi has ever had.

Committees: ticket selling, Miss Florence Harrison, sponsor, Lois Lemberg, chairman; orchestra, Mr. Harold Ohlson, sponsor, Joan Hamlet, chairman; decorations, Miss Ada Immel, sponsor, David Bishop, chairman; programs, Miss Ada Immel, sponsor, Carol Smith chairman; and publicity, Miss Lucille Ronalds, sponsor, Dick Voss, chairman.

Parents Will Resume Role Of Teens on Parents' Night

"School days, school days, dear old golden rule days." That will be the theme song of many parents on Tuesday, November 8, when the eighth annual Parents' Night will be held at Nilehi.

To enable the parents to meet different teachers, and to see what school is like for their sons and daughters is the purpose of the yearly event.

Classes will begin at 8 p. m., but parents who can come at 7:15 are urged to do so, since a program of entertainment will be given by the Music and Speech Departments. Musical and dramatic programs will be put on by students sponsored by Mr. Clifford Collins, Miss Clara Klaus, and Miss Virginia Stemp.

As usual, classes will be ten minutes in length. Lunch, "the favorite class," will be in the cafeteria after the ninth period.

Want an Arabian Colt? Would You Like \$1,000?

"What's in a name?" A pure-blooded Arabian colt, if you can think of a name for the first filly sired by the Black Stallion in Walter Farley's next book. This prize is being offered to every high-school student in the country by Walter Farley, well-known author of horse stories.

According to Miss Mary Walker, Nilehi librarian, anyone may enter, and no boxtops or book jackets are required. A postcard with your suggested name and your own name is all that is necessary.

Send the post card to Walter Farley, Box 1243, Grand Central Station, New York 17, New York. The deadline is November 17.

Only one name may be suggested by each student. The winner will be announced on December 20, Miss Walker said.

Maybe you're not another Tom Paine or Patrick Henry, but you can still enter the Fifteenth Annual Essay Contest sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The subject: "Peace, with Honor for America."

Any high-school student may enter if he is interested. The essays, 1,000 words long, will be submitted for statewide competition and finally national. The national winner will receive \$1,000 and a gold medal.

Madrigal Singers to Perform

The Nilehi Madrigal Singers will perform at the Cleveland School P.T.A. November 14, according to Miss Klaus, vocal music director.

There are three members back from last year's group: Louise Ewing, Mary Jane Netwig, and Dan Winger. New members are Joyce Baumann, Howard Baumhardt, Donna Belick, Marilyn Carlson, Joe Donovan, Robert Gamer, Robert Johnson, Theresa Margalski, Joan Mertes, Bill Perrin, and Eleanor Smith.

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Swim Club

The Nilehi Swim Club has recently elected its executive committee: Beattie Bornemeier, Marilyn Martin, and Carol Enke, seniors, and Evelyn Stewart and Nancy Lebbin, juniors.

These girls will aid Miss Gertrude Montgomery and Mr. Anton Schubert, directors of the Water Carnival, in preparation for the 1950 event.

The Swim Club consists of 25 girls at the present time, but more members may be added later. Girls were chosen from tryouts.

Hi-Y Club

Nilehi's Hi-Y club will act as a model for the newly formed Elgin Hi-Y on November 2, when the Elgin club will come to see how the Nilehi club operates.

The guest speaker will talk on "Race Relations," after which both clubs will join in a game of basketball.

The membership is now filled, according to Mr. George Roth, faculty adviser. If any visitors wish to attend meetings, permission must be obtained from Mr. Roth.

Ushers Club

The Ushers Club has been organized for the 1949-50 school year under the direction of Miss Dorothy Lungmus.

Last year's members met recently and decided that sophomore, junior, and senior girls may join this semester. Freshman girls will be eligible for membership next semester. The club is not open to boys this year, Miss Lungmus says.

This year's officers: Jean Votava, president; Shirley Timberg, vice-president; and Carol Smith, secretary.

Spotlighters Club

The Spotlighters Dramatics Club attended the first evening performance of "Brigadoon," at the Great Northern Theater on Sunday, October 16, according to Miss Virginia Stemp, faculty sponsor.

Two chartered buses provided transportation for the 90 students.

Freshmen Have Large Band

Mr. Clifford Collins, band director, says there has been a large increase in Freshman Band membership this year: 31 students compared to last year's 12.

"With such a large freshman enrollment we can look forward to a larger and still better band than we now have," says Mr. Collins.

Beat Leyden

Printing Is Busy Class; Produces 45 Jobs

Do you realize how much is accomplished by the print shop of your school during the course of the year?

In a recent report by Mr. Clement Meier, Nilehi print shop instructor, it was stated that due to the addition of one class and the increased enrollment in print shop classes, more has been accomplished so far this year than in previous years.

Forty-five jobs have been completed by the student printers to date, as compared to 35 jobs completed by students a year ago in the same length of time.

Among the jobs the print shop produces are the Nilehilite, office records and materials, notices of various school activities, and sporting-event programs.

Comedian Likes Teens, Nilehi Reporters Find

A touch of laryngitis and an appointment with the doctor didn't keep Danny Kaye, MGM comedian, from attending an interview with the Keen Teen Press Club Tuesday, October 11, at the Chicago Theater.

In response to a question about George Bernard Shaw, Danny said, "He is one of the most incredible men I have ever met. At 93 he is so alert that I felt like an old man."

When asked about brotherhood and tolerance, he became very serious and said, "The kids today are more advanced than when I was a boy. You have more chances to practice tolerance because you are in daily contact with people of all races and religions in your schools. I like a man for what he can do, not for what race or religion he belongs to."

Nilehiers attending the interview were Barbara Kokum and Dick Swanson, seniors.

New Radio Program Formed; Someone at Niles to Appear

Would you like to appear regularly on a radio program?

A radio program, "Pep Parade" is going to give someone at Nilehi this chance. It is a new program and will begin on November 13. Every Sunday thereafter from 1:30 until 2 o'clock, teen age ideas will be aired over Station WEAW, an FM station.

The program will consist of music, news from North Shore high schools and discussions by student representatives of questions concerning social and school life.

Those interested in trying out for the program may leave their names in Room 216 before November 4. A representative and alternate will be chosen by the Station on the basis of radio voice, personality, interest and enthusiasm, according to Dee Dickinson, program director.

This 'n' That ---

No success hasn't gone to their heads --- just derbies.

Seen with this "latest creation" were John Thimios, and Lee Strubeling, seniors.

Many athletes go out of Nilehi winning various honors, but never has any one athlete come close to the record Dick Eby (class of '38) accomplished at Nilehi. Dick was the first athlete ever to win 12 major letter awards during four years of high school.

During his senior year, he received the "Most Valuable Player Award" in both football and basketball.

The Roller Derby is a new and exciting sport, but did you know that Leo A. Seltzer, inventor of the Roller Derby, is the father of Jerry Seltzer, 1949 graduate of Nilehi?

Did you know that there are 11 phones at Nilehi?

Find Most Ex-Nilehilites Have Gone to College

Last year's journalists have really gone places—most of them to college.

Last year's Nilehilite editor-in-chief, Bill Heveran, is studying journalism at Marquette.

The two feature editors, Mary Morse and Sandra Ravencroft are studying at De Pauw, along with the former sports editor, Ed Beebe, who is also playing first-string freshman football.

Bill Bruce is at Drake; Bill Graefen is on the staff of the Daily at Michigan; while Rick Tamburino is staff photographer for the college paper at Beloit.

Northwestern has claimed Judy Larson, Audrey Nordlof, and Carole Briggs. Ruth Munsterman is being kept busy at Wheaton, and Ken Steele is studying at North Park.

More information on the other members of last year's staff will be in another issue of the Nilehilite.

70 Unusual Animals Appear At Brookfield Zoo Recently

A new variety of animal appeared at Brookfield Zoo October 15. These animals were about 70 in number and their odd gyrations attracted a lot of attention.

At 2:30 p.m. on the big lawn in the center of the park, several of these strange creatures seemed to be hopping around each other, kicking up their heels in a strange way, and making odd noises that strangely resembled Nilehi cheers.

And no wonder, for this species is called "Nilehi Students" and the exhibition was sponsored by a non-zoological organization called the See Chicago Club.

Trip, \$500, Screen Test --- Van Horne May Win These

A chance to win a trip to Hollywood, \$500, a television set, a screen test, a watch, and several other prizes—that's what Joanne Van Horne, Nilehi sophomore, has if she wins when she appears on Rubin's "Stars of Tomorrow" program in the near future.

Joanne appeared on the Morris B. Sach's program over WENR on October 3, and won a 5-jewel Gruen Curvex wrist watch. She played Mendelssohn's "Rondo Capriccioso" on the piano.

She is the second in her family to appear on the show. Her brother Bill, a Nilehi graduate of '49, now attending Northwestern, played on the Morris B. Sach's program three years ago and also won a watch. Bill also appeared on the Rubin's program and won a watch there too.

When the telephone operator discovered that Lou Keeseey was calling the City News Bureau during the half, with the scores of the Belvidere-Niles game, she wanted to know all the details. She immediately related the news to the other operators, who let out a yell when they heard that Belvidere was winning 7-0.

If Betty Ballantine, freshman, looks familiar, maybe it's because you saw her at the Chicago Railroad Fair. Betty did some trick riding for the rodeo show for a few days late in the summer.

Nilehi Typing Students Aid School Many Ways

Emily Post once said that it was poor breeding to type a personal letter or invitation, but now with the changing times it is considered perfectly proper to type them.

Nilehi typing students are learning to type letters and invitations, as well as many other things, and at the same time aid the rest of the school with its many services.

Miss Helen Johanns, chairman of the business department said that approximately 50 news articles a month, which are written by the journalism classes for the local papers, are typed in her classes.

Her classes must also type bulletins for the faculty, all of the codes for dances, tests, and envelopes for the entire student body.

She believes that she has had more boys in her classes in recent years than ever before, and that most of them are major athletic students.

Miss Ada Immel and Miss Marie Green, also typing instructors at Nilehi, think that typing develops a skill for making a living, and that it greatly helps students preparing to go on to college or into the business world.

Future Movie Actresses, Producers May Be Here

Would-be movie actresses and producers are students at Nilehi!

Astrid Halbrendt, Rozsika Carroll, Janet Hank, Jane Heath and Caryl Coninx recently produced and starred in their own movie for a special junior English contribution, according to Mr. Paul Eberhardt.

The movie was based on Sinclair Lewis's short story "Ring Around the Rosy." In the movie, Astrid played the part of a Chinese; Rozsika, a Russian; and Janet portrayed an Indian Maharajah. Jane was a Parisienne and Caryl a Swiss mountain climber.

For a professional touch, Rozsika and Jane played records as they showed the movie.

In the original story, the foreigners were supposed to come to America. To add a new twist to their movie the girls sent the Chinese to Russia, the Russian to India, and the Indian to France. The French girl went to Switzerland, and the Swiss to China.



The question for this week: "What can be done to improve school spirit at Nilehi?"

Don Bauman, sophomore: Faster cheers with more pep to them.

Jane Lamb, senior: It's up to the students. The team goes just as far as the spirit.

Ken La Plant, senior: Students should realize that they are part of the team and when the team loses, the student loses also.

Jack Nettland, junior: More informal dances after school or at night would help a lot.

Jane Bastow, senior: Students should pay attention with more enthusiasm to the cheerleaders.

Pete Heiniger, senior: Students should pay more attention to the game instead of playing around.

Buses Have Many Troubles; BUSonic' Could Be Cause

A rare from of "BUSonic" seems to plague Nilehiers lately.

Cheers turned to moans when a bus loaded with cheering squad members had two blow-outs while returning home from the Belvidere game.

The squad members were detained for about an hour while waiting for another bus to come to the rescue.

The Dramatics club members returning from the play "Brigadoon" had their troubles too, on Sunday night, October 16, when their bus got stuck entering a viaduct. They had to back out and take another route.

Homecoming

Highlighted

Here's Your Trojan Varsity Grid Squad

Marty Siedler, 6' 165 lb. fullback for the Men of Troy, is one of the four returning lettermen for Nilehi, a senior. Marty's hobby is athletics.

Pete Heiniger, 5'10" 165 lb. right halfback of the Trojans, is seeing his third year on the varsity. Pete has no hobby, but teaching young kids about athletics is his favorite pastime.

Lenny Lange, 5'10" 165 lb. Trojan left halfback, is seeing his third year on the varsity. Lenny quarterbacked the '48 squad, but has been changed by Coach Harold Isaacson to left halfback.

Ken LaPlant, 5'9" 150 lb. quarter-back for the Trojans is in his first year on the varsity. Ken, while in his freshman year at Nilehi, was termed the "130 lb. of pure dynamite," by Lester Galitz, former coach. Ken is also a powerhouse on the golf team.

Jim Kennedy, 6' 190 lb. center for Nilehi, when a sophomore tried out for halfback position because of his great speed. He has proved to be valuable at center and as line backer for the Men of Troy. Jim also is witnessing his third year on the varsity and is never caught without some popular tune on his mind.

Glen Meyer, 5'11" 210 lb. guard, whose main hobby is eating is in his first year on the varsity as a rough defensive guard.

Mike Henry, 6' 200 lb. guard who has seen action as a fullback during his senior year, and has proved himself more valuable as a guard, is also in his first year on the varsity.

Wally Popp, 5'11" 185 lb. tackle, is seeing his first year on the varsity and is known for his quietness and neatness. Wally is an enthusiastic hunter, whether it's quail or deer he hunts.

Bob Richter 6' 180 lb. junior end, is another player seeing his first year on the varsity squad. He too is an enthusiastic hunter.

Ronnie Gawrys, 5'10" lb. end, has proved to be a speedster on the varsity eleven. Ronnie is also a hurdler on the varsity track team, and was one of the few sophs to win a major letter in track last year.

Men of Troy are to compete with Suburban League in cross country, swimming, baseball, track and golf, says Harold Isaacson, Nilehi athletic director.

This was assumed at a recent monthly meeting of the athletic directors of the Suburban League October 3 at New Trier High School.

Ike's Pick From the Past

Since 1938 when the present high-school building was erected, many gridmen have worn the colors of Nilehi. Coach Harold Isaacson has selected 33 players, who were outstanding for Niles both offensively and defensively.

Here are Coach Isaacson's selections.

Centers: Gene Garner, 41; Emerson Dean, 42; Bob Klump, 45; Jim McNeely, 46; and Don Comstock, 45.

Guards: Jack Reiland, 42; Al Miller, 46; Ed Kadlec, 47; and Art Miller, 47.

Tackles: Eugene Field, 39; Ed Breitenbach, 41; Bill Shay, 43; Ollie Berens, 46; Ray Carlson, 46; Jim Harrer, 44.

Ends: Ray Nitch, 40; Bob Roman, 45; Bill Comstock, 47; Bob Pearson, 46; and Ed Springer, 40.

Quarterbacks: Bill Witte, 46; Ed Soergel, 47; Ted Nelson, 40; and Jack Ritter, 43.

Backs: Jack Heiniger, 40; Jim Heiniger, 47; Joe Gagliardo, 42; Ed Krupa, 42; Jim Blessing, 47; Tom Black, 48; Jack Harrer, 43; Bob Doetsch, 45; and Bob Farr, 46.

First Suburban Meet For Cross Country

The first Suburban Conference cross-country meet for the Nilehi cindermen at Oak Park last Friday, October 21, finished with Niles in last place, and Ed Buerk, senior, in ninth place.

Out of the Helmet

Attention, tracksters:

There will be a new addition to your wardrobe this season. It will be new striking sweat pants and shirts of blue with orange lettering and an exquisite Trojan head signifying the Men of Troy. This should give the fellas a new spirit this season and in seasons to come, says track coach Charles Hussey.

Along with the track outfits the Trojan varsity basketball team will have new warm-up jackets, navy blue with orange and white trimmings.

The baseball pitchers will be the envy of the squad with their new warm-up jackets.

Nancy Jacobs, sophomore, entered high diving competition at the North Shore Country Club last summer where she won first prize medals, one in the Junior division and one in the Senior division.

Homecoming Bigger, Better, Says Ike

According to Mr. Harold (Ike) Isaacson, athletic director, the Homecoming should be bigger and better this year. The Homecoming, he says, is one of the biggest events of the year, and what makes it what it is, is the students.

The weekend, which starts off with the pep rally, has already begun. Tonight the games, and tomorrow night the dance.

The Leyden Eagles will be the homecoming opponents of the Nilehi Varsity gridmen tonight at 8:15 p.m. under the lights at the Niles field. So far this season, Leyden has lost to Downers Grove 14 to 0, Elgin 20 to 7, Champaign 22 to 6, and Glenbard 12 to 0. The Eagles' lone victory was over Bensenville 27 to 0.

Leyden has four returning lettermen from last year's team, which routed the Trojans 41 to 0. One letterman is Richie Spera, quarterback, who led the Eagles to seven victories in nine games a year ago. Another letterman is Sam Masica, halfback, who held down a starting position in 1948.

Although the Men of Troy will seek revenge for last year's defeat, they will also be trying to stop the Eagles from registering their first win over a Trojan varsity on the Niles field.

Tonight 22 of Coach Isaacson's boys will be wearing the "gold and blue" for the last time on the home field. They are Wally Popp, Gordon Smale, John Kadlec, Chuck Risinger, Ed Butterworth, Ken La Plant, Pete Heiniger, Al Hartig, Larry Waite, Lenny Lange, Dick Voss, Jim Kennedy, Marty Seidler, Fred Brei, Ed Braden, Mike Henry, Jim Davis, Glenn Meyer, Lee Struebing, Joe Doavan, Jack DeStories, and Dick Erickson.

Due to a two-game winning streak, the Nilehi Varsity gridmen have a record of three victories in six games. The Trojans have downed Amundsen 19 to 6, Morgan Park Military Academy 2 to 12, and Arlington 13 to 6. Niles has lost to Steinmetz 7 to 6, West Aurora 27 to 7, and Belvidere 25 to 7.

Sophs Threaten Goal But Lose 12-0 to Arlington

The Nilehi sophs were defeated Friday night, October 21, by a strong Arlington soph team by a 12 to 0 score under the Nilehi arc lights.

The Trojans played the Cardinals even in the second half, and although the Trojans couldn't score, they threatened their opponents goal line several times.

Niles, Leyden Clash Tonight